

REMARKS

This Reply is in response to the final Office Action mailed on June 25, 2003 in which Claims 1, 4-18, and 22-28 were rejected. With this Reply, Claims, 1, 4-18, and 22-28 are cancelled and Claims 29-61 are added. Claims 29-61 are presented for consideration and allowance.

The Office Action rejected Claims 1, 4-18, and 22-28 based upon Saito, et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,731,829 in view of Kikuchi, U.S. Patent No. 5,929,894, or in view of Saito, Kikuchi and Silverbrook, et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,405,055. Although Applicant does not agree with the rejection of the claims set forth in the Office Action, this Reply cancels such claims in favor of newly added Claims 29-61 to facilitate prosecution and allowance of the present application. In particular, the prior art of record does not disclose, teach or suggest the media processing device, the support or the method recited in added Claims 29-61. Thus, Claims 29-61 are believed to be patentably distinct over the prior art of record.

With this Reply, an Information Disclosure Statement is submitted to correct a typographical error which was inadvertently made on the Information Disclosure Statement filed on September 19, 2003. In particular, the previously submitted Information Disclosure Statement incorrectly identified Japanese reference Mitsubishi, Japanese Patent No. JP2-18259 as "JP020018259." Applicant requests consideration of this Japanese reference as correctly identified in the Information Disclosure Statement filed herewith.

Applicant believes that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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